

General Statutes. No later than March 15, 1999, the Department shall report the results of this study and its recommendations to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Fiscal Research Division, and the Environmental Review Commission.

Requested by: Senators Martin of Pitt, Jenkins, Weinstein, Albertson, Representatives Mitchell, Baker, Carpenter, Hunter

CREATE NEW CLASSIFICATION OF ABANDONED WELLS

Section 14.9B. (a) G.S. 87-88(k) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

"(3) Abandonment of Water Supply Wells for Other Use: Any water supply well that is removed from service as a potable water supply source may be used for other purposes, including, but not limited to, irrigation, commercial use, or industrial use, and such well is not subject to either subdivision (1) or (2) of this subsection during its use for other purposes."

(b) This section is effective when this act becomes law.

Requested by: Senators Martin of Pitt, Jenkins, Weinstein, Albertson, Representatives Mitchell, Baker, Carpenter, Hunter, Culp

RANDLEMAN DAM FUNDS DO NOT REVERT

Section 14.9C. Section 8(c) of Chapter 777 of the 1993 Session Laws, as rewritten by Section 26.2 of Chapter 507 of the 1995 Session Laws and Section 15.47(a) of S.L. 1997-443, reads as rewritten:

"(c) All funds appropriated in Chapter 769 of the 1993 Session Laws for the construction of Randleman Dam shall revert to the General Fund on ~~October 1, 1999~~, October 1, 2000, if construction has not begun before that date."

Requested by: Senators Martin of Pitt, Jenkins, Weinstein, Albertson, Representatives Mitchell, Baker, Carpenter, Hunter, McComas

RELOCATION OF MASON'S INLET

Section 14.9D. The County of New Hanover may undertake a project relocating the channel of Mason's Inlet to an alignment that reduces the erosion threat to the north end of the Town of Wrightsville Beach and does not create a threat to the houses located on the south end of Figure Eight Island. Materials dredged during the realignment of the channel that are suitable for beach nourishment shall be placed on the adjacent shorelines of the Town of Wrightsville Beach and Figure Eight Island that are threatened by erosion. The County of New Hanover shall not undertake the project without the concurrence of the Division of Water Resources of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources that the project is necessary and viable.

Upon obtaining the concurrence of the Division of Water Resources of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the County of New Hanover may acquire the property necessary to realign the channel of Mason's Inlet to protect the north end of the Town of Wrightsville Beach against the forces of erosion threatening property located at or adjacent to the inlet by purchase, by negotiation, or by condemnation. Should the